

EVANS EXPRESS

Official Newsletter of the City of Evans, Colorado

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Queen City of the Platte

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Donate to the Athletes, Stay for the Pancakes

The idiom says "It takes a village", but it also takes pancake mix, butter, syrup, and protein of the pork variety. Serve a plateful of food to the village and you cook up a savory fundraiser that generated nearly \$500.



The Evans Police Department held a pancake breakfast in March to raise money for Special Olympics Colorado. Pancakes were the precursor to the main event, which is the Polar Plunge that will take center stage in April at Windsor Lake. Annually, the Evans PD participates in the voluntary ice bath. In past years, the department has raised more than \$2000 for Special Olympics.

2022's Polar Plunge marks the first time in two years that the event has been held at a central location with organizations from across Northern Colorado. In 2021, the Polar Plunge took the village concept to another level when the Evans Police teamed up with Envision, as well as Centennial and Ann K. Heiman Elementary Schools to host an Evans-centric fundraiser. In that version, the Evans Fire Department did the dousing with their fire trucks at various locations throughout the city.

If you'd like to donate, please visit www.classy.org/give/t406995/#!/donation/checkout.



2022 POLAR PLUNGE



Evans Wastewater Utility Rate Change takes effect in April of 2022

The City of Evans has an ongoing commitment to provide its residents with well-maintained infrastructure with the capacity to grow. In order to do that, the city's Wastewater Utility rate structure will change in the spring of 2022. Residents and commercial users will see the new rates reflected in utility bills effective April 1.

Residential Users

With the new rates, residential users whose average monthly winter water usage (December- February) is 4,000 gallons or less will see a \$2.76 per month decrease on their base rate to \$40.52 per month. Residential users currently pay a flat rate of \$43.28 per month. Those who use in excess of 4,000 gallons per month will pay a consumption amount of \$5.34 per 1,000 gallons, for usage above the 4,000 gallons included in the base rate.



Commercial Users

With the new rates, all commercial users will be classified together and have a base rate of \$40.52 plus \$8.45 per 1,000 gallons of consumption after 4,000 gallons of use per month. This base rate will include the first 4,000 gallons of the average winter use per month. Businesses currently classified as 2 and 3 could see rate increases, while users in category 4 could see reductions in overall bills depending on monthly usage. Commercial users currently pay both a flat rate and consumption based rate depending on classification of the business.

Benefits to residents and applications of the rate change

The rate change is necessary to fund the City's anticipated Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) expansion construction with an estimated total cost of \$39.7 million. This is necessary to expand the plant's capacity to meet current and future needs in our growing community. In addition to funding the upcoming WWTP expansion, the wastewater rates must also support the ongoing operations and maintenance of the wastewater system, service any existing and proposed debts, and sustain a reasonable level of financial liquidity.

For questions regarding your bill or the new Wastewater billing structure, please contact the City of Evans at 970-475-1170 or email info@evanscolorado.gov. www.evanscolorado.gov/utilitybilling/2022-utility-rates





Slow the Flow

Optimize your water use

**FREE
SPRINKLER
EVALUATION!**

** Limited number of appointments*

Maintain your landscape while watering smarter with a FREE sprinkler evaluation!



REDUCE WATER WASTE

Our staff will identify system inefficiencies, adjust what we can, and suggest ways to optimize your watering.



CUSTOMIZE YOUR WATERING SCHEDULE

We'll test your system and provide a customized watering schedule that could save thousands of gallons of water per year.



IMPROVE SYSTEM KNOWLEDGE

Use our advice on how to program your control clock and DIY maintenance tips to maximize system performance.

ResourceCentral.org/sprinklers

or 303-999-3824

Sign up for your sprinkler evaluation today!

**Appointments are scheduled on a first come, first served basis.*



CONSERVATION MADE EASY



SEE IF YOU
QUALIFY FOR
A DISCOUNT
STARTING AT
\$25 OFF!*

Garden In A Box

Plant a new perspective.



SAVE WATER EASILY

Specially selected, low-water plants help you save around 7,300 gallons of water over the garden's lifetime compared to a traditional lawn.



NO GREEN THUMB REQUIRED

Use the simple plant-by-number maps and Plant & Care Guide for a low-water garden that's as simple as it is beautiful.



INSTANT CURB APPEAL

Using starter plants and not seeds, Garden In A Box is a quick way to add a pop of color and beauty to your yard.



PROFESSIONAL DESIGN WITHOUT THE COST

Professionally designed for Colorado yards and starting at just \$119, there's not another solution that's so beautiful AND affordable.



ATTRACT THE "LOCALS"

Your colorful gardens will attract pollinators like butterflies and bees, helping spread the love throughout your neighborhood!

**BUY IT.
PLANT IT.
ENJOY IT.**

Get your own low-water garden kit today and start saving water in just three easy steps!



ResourceCentral.org/gardens
Order your Garden In A Box today!

RESOURCE
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CONSERVATION MADE EASY

* Limited number of discounts available in participating water districts. Discount is applied at checkout.



Concurso de arte

¿Qué significa para usted la conservación del agua?



¿Quieres crear una obra de arte significativa? ¿Encontrar nuevas formas de conectarse con su comunidad? ¿Te importa nuestro futuro? ¡Únete a nuestro concurso de arte juvenil!

- **Elegibilidad del participante:** cualquier persona que viva en la ciudad de Evans desde jardín de infantes hasta el grado 12
- **Premios:** Waste Management ofrece generosamente premios por valor de más de \$100! Cada ganador en los grados K-5 y 6-12 ganará un premio de una tarjeta de regalo y otras golosinas.

El personal de la ciudad seleccionará un ganador en cada categoría de edad. Las presentaciones se evaluarán en función de su expresión del tema "¿qué significa para usted la conservación del agua?".

Los formularios de envío y las obras de arte deben recibirse antes de las 4:00 p. m. del 29 de abril de 2022. Lleve todos los envíos a la recepción del Complejo Comunitario de Evans: 1100 37th Street | Evans, CO 80620

Originalidad: Todo trabajo debe ser creado por el participante. Las presentaciones deben ser conceptualizado, desarrollado y completado por el estudiante. Las presentaciones pueden no ser copiado, rastreado, plagiado o robado.



<https://www.evanscolorado.gov/water/youth-art-contest>
Contact Justine Schoenbacher jschoenbacher@evanscolorado.gov | (970)-475-1186



Youth art Contest

What does water conservation mean to you?



Want to create a meaningful piece of art? Find new ways to connect with your community? Care about our future? Join our youth art contest!

- **Participant eligibility:** Anyone who lives in the City of Evans in Kindergarten through 12th Grade
- **Prizes:** Waste Management is generously offering prizes worth over \$100! A winner in K-5th grade and 6th-12th grade will each win a prize of a gift card and other goodies.

City staff will select one winner in each age category. Submissions will be judged based on their expression of the theme "what does water conservation mean to you?".

Submission forms and artwork must be received by 4pm on April 29, 2022. Please bring all submissions to the Evans Community Complex Front Desk: 1100 37th Street | Evans, CO 80620

Scan the QR Code below to Download the submission form.

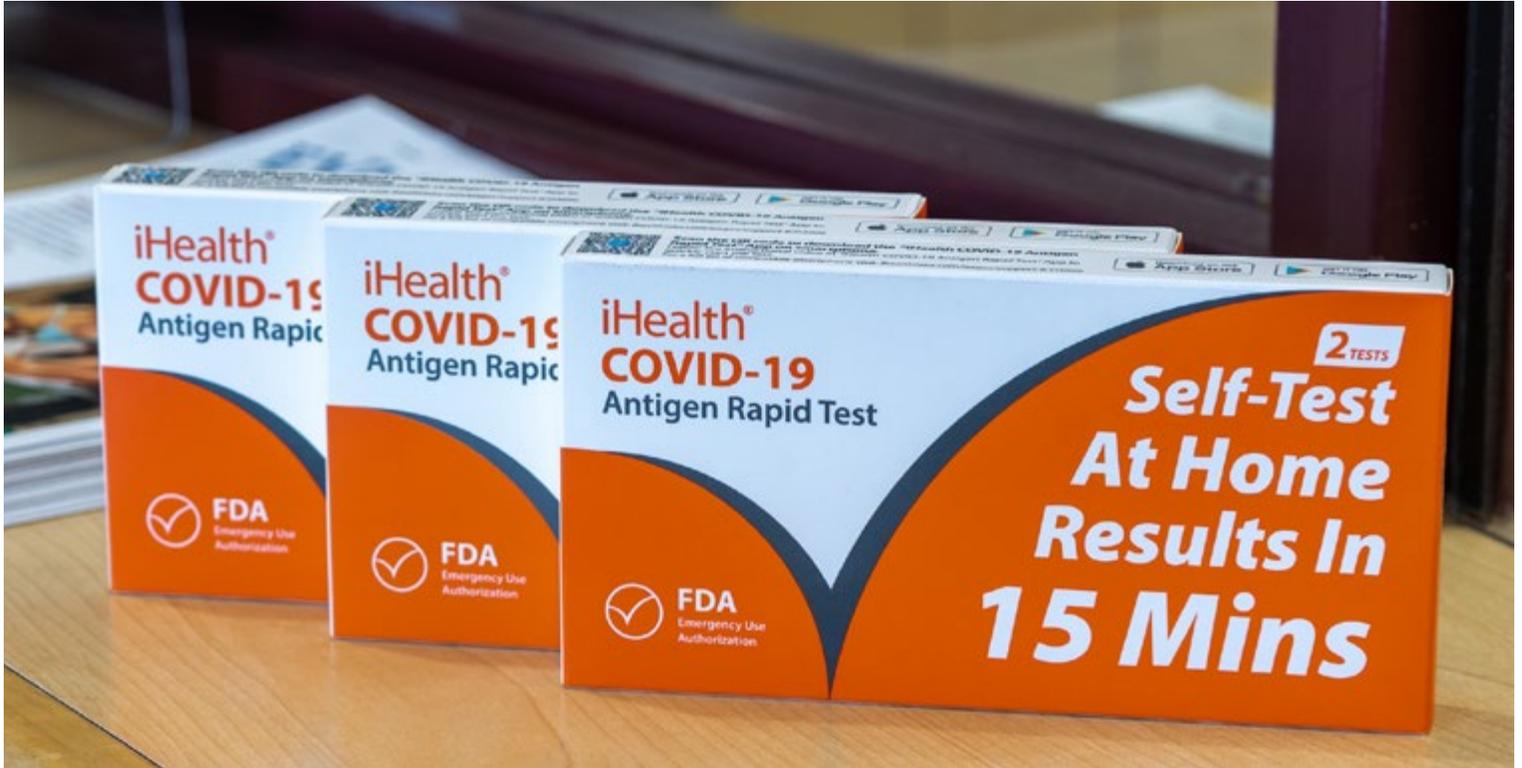
Originality: All work must be created by the participant. Submissions must be conceptualized, developed, and completed by the student. Submissions may not be copied, traced, plagiarized, or stolen.



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Free, Rapid, At-Home COVID tests available at Evans Community Complex



Free, Rapid, At-Home COVID-19 tests are available at **Evans Community Complex** upon request.

Simply go to the ECC front desk located at 1100 37th Street in Evans during normal business hours (M-F, 8-5pm) and request the test from one of our Customer Service Representatives.

The tests being distributed as part of this newest program are iHealth Labs over-the-counter COVID-19 Antigen rapid tests. They take 15 minutes to provide a result and instructions are included on the box in English and available online in Spanish. Once a test result is available, an individual should review these instructions on how to interpret and report the results.

Continue to stay up to date by visiting covid19.colorado.gov



Prescription DRUG TAKE BACK DAY

Evans Police Help Gather Unused Prescriptions on April 30th

The act of giving can be addition by subtraction. That's the spirit of Drug-Take-Back-Day. The spring version of the bi-annual event will be held on Saturday, April 30th from 10am-2pm. The location is to be determined, so be sure to subscribe to our Youtube page and watch Evans TV to find out where the event will be held.

It's a day where residents can dispose of used or expired prescription medications in a safe, responsible way. The Evans Police Department, along with community volunteers, will be available to collect the medications that could have devastating consequences if handled irresponsibly.

The drug overdose epidemic in the United States is a clear and present public health, public safety, and national security threat. DEA's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day reflects DEA's commitment to Americans' safety and health, encouraging the public to remove unneeded medications from their homes as a measure of preventing medication misuse and opioid addiction from ever starting.

DEA is committed to making our communities safer and healthier, and we can do this by reducing overdoses and overdose deaths. While the community does its part to turn in unneeded medications and remove them from potential harm, we are doing our part to further reduce drug-related violence.

Shredding will not be offered at the April event. Questions? Call 970-590-1504.





Build your resume, gain connections, serve your community



Apply for the Planning Commission Vacancy

Do you have a heart for your community? Do you strive to make a difference in your city? Do you think about ways to improve the area you live in? If so, then you may be a great candidate for the City of Evans Planning Commission Alternate Position.

The City of Evans is searching for dedicated individuals who share a passion for the future of Evans. This is a volunteer position. Applicants should be prepared to commit 5-10 hours per month to the position. Commission work sessions or land use hearings are held on the 4th Tuesday evening of every month.

The Evans Planning Commission serves an important role in the land development process. Members should have a passion for how the city develops. As an Evans Planning Commission member, you will receive the work session or development review information packets provided prior to the meetings, participate in discussions with applicants, and receive public comments during the hearings. An orientation session will familiarize candidates with the land use process and the role of the Planning Commission prior to the first meeting.

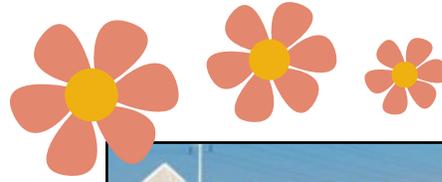
This position does not require experience in engineering, planning, or development. The position will remain open until it is filled. City Council will appoint the Planning Commission member. For additional questions regarding this opportunity, please contact Anne Best Johnson, Community Development Director at (970) 475-2228 or via email at abjohnson@evanscolorado.org.

To apply, scan the QR code and fill out the online application. You may submit a physical copy to the City Clerk at 1100 37th Street in Evans, M-F, 8-5PM. Applicants can fill out the document electronically and submit via email to jkamka@evanscolorado.gov.





Spring City Cleanup Event



When is the next event?

April 23–24 and April 30–May 1, 2022

Where is it?

3323 1st Avenue, Evans

What is it?

City cleanup events occur twice per year in the spring and fall to assist Evans residents in disposing of large or bulky trash and debris. The purpose of the event is to supplement weekly trash service with an opportunity to dispose of tree limbs, yard debris, unwanted furniture, and other regular household waste.

Who can participate?

All residents of Evans are welcome to participate in the City Cleanup Event with proof of residency such as a driver's license or water bill verifying their home address.

How much does it cost?

Evans utility customers will receive one free voucher per event by mail.

Additional loads cost \$10 and that covers one pickup load or small trailer of trash or yard debris. Larger loads will require additional fees as calculated by staff. Tires start at \$3 each and have variable pricing based on the size, and type of tire. Tires are not covered by the free, mailed voucher.

What is not accepted?

Household hazardous waste, electronics, fluids, and other toxic or hazardous waste is not accepted at the event. Many of these items may be recycled throughout the year at various locations.

Boats, vehicles, recreational vehicles, hot tubs, and other oversized items will not be accepted. Please contact a salvage yard or waste hauler for more information on disposing of these items.





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY:

Celebrate Arbor Day and help bring Riverside Park back to life

Riverside Park is a gem in the City of Evans and was greatly missed while it was closed for restoration and repairs. Help restore this park to its former glory by volunteering to plant trees on Arbor Day.

WHAT YOU'LL DO: Plant trees on Arbor Day! You'll spend the day working with up to 30 volunteers to plant trees at Riverside Park.

WHEN: Friday, April 29th | 9am-1pm

WHERE: Riverside Park in City of Evans

SIGNUP HERE: www.voc.org/event?data-id=22330





The **Neighborhood Party Trailer** is now available to Evans residents and businesses to reserve for neighborhood block parties and similar community events, for free!

What is it?

The Neighborhood Party Trailer was made possible by a generous donation from Sam's Club, and contains all of the essentials to host a block party, neighborhood watch meeting, or similar community event. The organizer simply reserves the trailer, invites the guests, and makes arrangements for food and drinks. The Neighborhood Party Trailer is a great tool to build community, strengthen neighborhoods, and to get outside and enjoy our beautiful City!



The trailer includes:
10 tables
48 chairs
4 trash cans

2 coolers with ice
2 water coolers
12 traffic cones
Corn Hole Boards

Giant Jenga
6 Hula Hoops
8 Jump Ropes
Sidewalk Chalk

How does it work?

Organizers looking to host an event need only check the dates that the trailer is available for reservation, and apply to reserve the trailer. Staff will review the application as quickly as possible and contact the applicant to confirm the reservation, or to gather additional information and work out the details. On the day of the reservation, City staff will deliver and secure the trailer, and contact the organizer with a code to unlock the trailer. The organizer may then unlock and use the contents of the trailer, and when finished, replace clean items to their designated locations, and lock the doors. Staff will return during working hours to retrieve the trailer.

Who can reserve it?

Any resident of Evans, 18 or older, is eligible to reserve the trailer. The applicant must demonstrate in the application that the event is a community event such as a block party or neighborhood watch meeting, and not a private event such as a birthday or graduation party.

How do I reserve it?

Check the dates that the trailer is available here > <https://bit.ly/3xODrT7>

Submit a complete reservation application here > <https://bit.ly/3vU77wW>



EVANS

RECREATION

Striving for excellence through innovation and positive experiences



Evans Recreation

1100 37th Street
Evans, CO 80620

970-475-1125

www.evanscolorado.gov/recreation
recreation@evanscolorado.gov

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Tai Chi Chih
Recreation Center Hours

BUNNY BASKETS

\$10 PER BASKET

EACH BASKET COMES WITH 20 CANDY-FILLED EGGS,
AN EGG DYING KIT, ACTIVITIES AND MORE!

Order by April 8 to pickup on Thursday, April 14 or
Friday, April 15.



Summer Youth Sports



T-BALL

Ages 5-6

8 teams max

\$40 REGISTRATION FEE

COACH PITCH

Ages 7-8

8 teams max

CO-ED SOFTBALL

Ages 9-11

8 teams max

Ages 12-14

5 teams max

\$50 REGISTRATION FEE

Registration: April 4th-May 8th

\$10 late fee will be added to registrations after May 8th, based on availability.

Teams are filled on a first come, first served basis.

Evans Recreation jerseys are \$15 and available at the Recreation Front Desk.

Practices begin the week of May 23rd

All age groups practice once per week

Games begin the week of June 6th (no games the week of July 4th)

Games will be held on weeknights at Riverside Park



WEEKLY RATES
\$200

EVANS SUMMER DAY CAMP



MONDAY-FRIDAY | 7:30 AM - 5:30 PM
5-11 YEAR OLDS

MAY 31 - AUGUST 5

NO CAMP JULY 4-8

\$1300 | ALL-SUMMER

\$1250 | ALL-SUMMER ADDITIONAL CHILD

\$600 | 4-WEEK SESSION (JUNE 6-JULY 1 OR JULY 11-AUGUST 5)

REGISTRATION BEGINS MARCH 28TH



2022 YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM INFORMATION

Hot Shot Programs- \$40

Extreme Programs- \$50

Prices and dates subject to change

VOLLEYBALL

Kindergarten-2nd Grade Hot Shot
3rd-6th Grade Extreme
7th/8th Grade Extreme (Spring only)

Spring Season

Registration Dates: January 10-February 20
First Practice: week of March 7
First Game: March 26

Fall Season

Registration Dates: June 6-August 7
First Practice: week of August 29
First Game: September 10



SOCCER

Hot Shot
6U (4-6 year olds)
8U (7-8 year olds)

Extreme
10U (9-10 year olds)
12U (11-12 year olds)

Spring Season

Registration Dates: January 24-March 13
First Practice: week of March 27
First Game: April 9

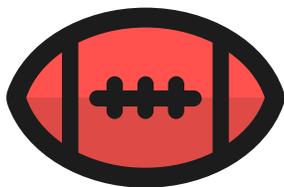
Fall Season

Registration Dates: June 6-July 31
First Practice: week of August 15
First Game: August 27

BASEBALL / SOFTBALL

5/6 year old Hot Shot T-ball
7/8 year old Hot Shot Coach Pitch
9-11 year old Extreme Co-Ed Softball
12-14 year old Extreme Co-Ed Softball

Registration Dates: April 4-May 8
First Practice: week of May 23
First Game: week of June 6



FLAG FOOTBALL

Kindergarten/1st Grade Hot Shot
2nd/3rd Grade Hot Shot
4th/5th Grade Extreme
6th Grade Extreme

Spring Season - 4th-6th grade ONLY

Registration Dates: January 24-March 13
First Practice: week of March 27
First Game: week of April 4

Fall Season

Registration Dates: June 6-July 31
First Practice: week of August 15
First Game: August 27

BASKETBALL

Kindergarten-2nd Grade Hot Shot

Registration Dates: August 29-October 9
First Practice: week of October 24
First Game: November 5

3rd-6th Grade Extreme

Registration Dates: October 31-December 11
First Practice: week of Jan. 2, 2023
First Game: January 14, 2023



FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE



TUESDAY

POUND FITNESS

5:15-6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY

ZUMBA

6:00-7:00 PM



SESSION DATES

APRIL 11 - MAY 20

MAY 23 - JULY 1



\$30 EACH SESSION

Tai Chi Chih

Tai Chi Chih is a gentle-moving meditation that brings balance, peace and joy to life. The purpose of Tai Chi Chih is to balance and circulate the natural energy, or "chi" of the body. The movements are easy to learn and can be done by anyone regardless of age or physical condition.

\$20 each session

Discount given for SilverSneakers or Renew Active Members

Beginner/Refresher Class
Tuesdays from 10-10:45 am

Advanced/Guided Class
Tuesdays from 11-11:45 am

Session Dates
April 26-May 17



Evans Recreation Center

WE'RE OPEN

Monday - Thursday
6:00 am to 8:00 pm
Friday
6:00 am to 6:00 pm



Basketball Court Closures

Monday	9:00 - 11:15 am, 4:30 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday	8:15 - 10:30 am, 4:30 - 8:00 pm
Wednesday	8:00 - 11:15 am, 4:30 - 8:00 pm
Thursday	8:15 - 10:30 am, 4:30 - 8:00 pm
Friday	9:00 to 11:15 am

Effective March 1, 2022



ACTIVE ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

MONDAY

9:15-10:00 am
CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am
Yoga

TUESDAY

8:30-9:15 am
Classic

9:30-10:15 am
Circuit

WEDNESDAY

8:15-9:00 am
Classic

9:15-10:00 am
CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am
Yoga

THURSDAY

8:30-9:15 am
Classic

9:30-10:15 am
Circuit

FRIDAY

9:15-10:00 am
CardioFit

10:15-11:00 am
Yoga

10:15-11:00 am
Stability
(Dance Studio)

NOTES

All classes are FREE for SilverSneakers and RenewActive members. For all others, we have Senior Fitness Punch Passes available: 15 classes for \$35 or 30 classes for \$68. Session dates are ongoing.



ACTIVE ADULT FITNESS CLASSES

CARDIOFIT

Try a safe and heart-healthy aerobics class to energize your active lifestyle using low-impact movements that focus specifically on building upper-body and core strength plus core endurance. This is a higher intensity class.

YOGA

Move through seated and standing yoga poses designed to increase flexibility, balance and range of movement.

CLASSIC

Designed to increase muscle strength, range of movement and improve activities for daily living. A chair is used for seated exercises and standing support and class can be modified depending on fitness levels.

CIRCUIT

The Circuit workout offers standing, low-impact choreography alternated with standing upper-body strength work with hand-held weights, elastic tubing with handles and a ball.

STABILITY

The movements focus on specific exercises to improve strength and power around the ankle, knee and hip joints, while improving your reaction time. This class is designed for fall prevention and is suitable for nearly every fitness level.

TAI CHI CHIH

RETURNS IN SEPTEMBER

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City of Evans Contact Info

Emergency Services	911	
After Hours Non-Emergency	(970) 356-1212	
Building Inspections	(970) 674-1036	
Building Permits	(970) 475-1120	
Business Licenses	(970) 475-1109	
City Clerk	(970) 475-1104	
City Council	(970) 475-1104	
City Managers Office	(970) 475-1108	
Code Enforcement	(970) 475-1115	
Community Development	(970) 475-2228	
Court	(970) 475-1123	
Economic Development	(970) 475-1112	
Employment	(970) 475-1161	
Engineering/Mapping	(970) 475-1169	
Evans Cemetery	(970) 475-1104	
Fire Prevention/Reports	(970) 339-3920	
General Information	(970) 475-1170	
Police Department	(970) 339-2441	
Pothole Hotline	(970) 475-1188	
Recreation Programs	(970) 475-1125	
Senior Programs	(970) 475-1129	
Stormwater Hotline	(970) 475-1188	
Water and Sewer Billing	(970) 475-1170	
Planning and Zoning	(970) 475-1167	
Nieghborhood Services	(970) 475-1115	

Local Agencies

Evans Area Chamber of Commerce	(970) 330-4204	
Small Business Development Center	(970) 351-4274	
Upstate Colorado	(970) 356-4565	
Greeley/Evans School District	(970) 348-6000	
Weld County	(970) 356-4000	
Water and Sewer Emergencies	(970) 475-1170	
Water Conservation	(970) 475-1186	

City Schedule

All meetings held at
The City of Evans Community Complex
1100 37th Street, Evans, Colorado,
unless otherwise noted.
Call (970) 475-1170 for more information.
Find agendas, minutes and packets online
by clicking on the icon below.

www.evanscolorado.gov/citycouncil



Regularly Scheduled Meetings

- **City Council Work Sessions**
First and Third Tuesdays at 6:00 pm
- **City Council Meetings**
First and Third Tuesdays at 7:00 pm
- **Planning Commission**
Fourth Tuesday at 6:00 pm
- **Water and Sewer Board**
Third Thursday at 3:30 pm
- **SBDC Small Business Counseling**
Every Wednesday beginning at 9:00 am
Riverside Library and Cultural Center
- **Evans Fire District Board of Directors**
Fourth Monday of each month

